GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

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PARTNERSHIP NORMS FOR LPG DEALERS
BALIRAM

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the prescribed rules / terms and conditions governing the appointment of partners by the dealers after securing the dealership ;

(b) the number of such cases granted permission by IBP company since July 1, 2001 to June 30, 2002 ; (

(c) whether I.B.P. company has allowed appointment of partner in violation of rules ;

(d) if so, whether such cases have been got verified from the Vigilance Wing ; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINIS PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

(a) : The main features of the guidelines governing the reconstitution of LPG distributorships interalia include :-

(i) Reconstitution is not allowed before 3 years from the date of commissioning except under the certain exigencies like death of proprietor or on compassionate grounds.

(ii) New partner must satisfy multiple dealership norms and generally satisfy other criteria for normal selection, such as age, educational qualification, income etc.

(iii) The existing partner(s) will retain majority share.

(iv) For the distributorships belonging to SC/ST category, the incoming partner should also be from amongst SC/ST.

(v) The incoming partner should not be convicted for any criminal offence or moral turpitude.

(b) : IBP has not allowed any reconstitution of its LPG distributorship during the period 1st July, 2001 to 30th June, 2002.

(c) to (e) : Does not arise.